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SUBJECT: DOT PARTICIPATION IN IATSS SYMPOSIUM, SEPT. 19 -
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1. INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY EMBASSY CONCERNING INTER-
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TRAFFIC AND SAFETY SCIENCES
(IATSS) HAS PRODUCED THE FOLLOWING:

2. IATSS IS A FOUNDATION ESTABLISHED IN 1974 ON BASIS OF
ENDOWMENT FROM SOICHIRO HONDA AND TAKEO FUJISAWA, WHO HAD
RETIRED FROM HONDA MOTOR CO. LTD. IN 1973. ENDOWMENT
WAS IN FORM OF STOCKS IN THE FIRM OWNED BY THE TWO. IATSS'
ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING THE CONDUCT OF RESEARCH, HOSTING OF
SYMPOSIA, COLLECTION AND PUBLICATION OF LITERATURE, AND
AWARDING OF PRIZES, HAVE BEEN FINANCED THROUGH USE OF
ENDOWMENT, WHICH CONSTITUTES THE ONLY FINANCIAL SOURCE FOR
THE ASSOCIATION. IT DOES NOT COLLECT MEMBERSHIP FEES FROM
MEMBERS, NOW NUMBERING 25, OF WHOM 20 ARE UNIVERSITY
PROFESSORS. IT DOES NOT RECEIVE DONATIONS FROM INDUSTRY.
THE ASSOCIATION'S AFFAIRS ARE MANAGED BY FOUR-MEMBER BOARD
OF SPECIAL TRUSTEES, 15-MEMBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND 13
COUNSELLORS.

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3. IN VIEW OF THE CHARACTER OF ORGANIZATION DESCRIBED
ABOVE, EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT DOT PARTICIPATION IN THE
SYMPOSIUM, EVEN THOUGH PARTIALLY FUNDED BY IATSS, WILL
NOT, REPEAT NOT, AFFECT DOT'S INTEREST IN ANY WAY.
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